(*e*) the amount required for the present work?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) Makaram 1117.

(*b*) No definite date was fixed for the completion of the work on account of the present situation.

(*c*) Does not arise in view of reply to (*b*) above.

(*d*) Normally before the middle of Chingom 1120.

(*e*) It is not possible to ascertain the actual amount now.

Nagampadam Bridge.

26. * **MR. V. MADHAVAN** (*Vaikom* cum *Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state why the repair works of the Nagampadam bridge in Kottayam town are not yet completed, and when they expect to complete it?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: The reconstruction of the bridge (not repairs) was delayed on account of the present difficulty in getting the required iron and timber materials.

The work is expected to be completed before the middle of Chingom 1120.

Government servants and elections.

27. * **MR. K. A. MATHEW:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have issued a notification prohibiting Government servants from taking part in the recent elections to the Travancore Legislature beyond recording of their votes;

(*b*) whether they have received representations from any organisation or persons complaining about the infringement of this notification by officers of the Government; and

(*c*) what action they have taken against those who violated Government instructions?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The allegations that have reached them do not warrant any action as Government are satisfied that they are unfounded.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: May I know whether there were specific allegations made by anybody?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: There were no specific allegations, and such allegations as were received, were found to be absolutely unfounded.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: Was an impartial enquiry made by anybody?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: Government have made their own enquiries in the matter.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: Has anybody been asked to make impartial enquiries?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: Government are presumably impartial, and the honourable member, I think, seems to be making an insinuation against the Government.

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